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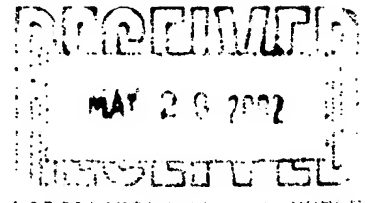
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 CFR 1.97 & 1.98

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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May 23, 2002

Sir:

Pursuant to Applicants' duty of disclosure, enclosed please find a copy of an Office Action issued in connection with a Taiwanese application corresponding to the above-identified application, and a copy of a Search and Examination Report from Singapore in connection with a corresponding foreign application. Also enclosed are copies of the documents cited in the enclosed Office Action and Search and Examination Report. Further enclosed is a List, on a form substantially equivalent to Form PTO-1449, of the cited documents.

Further enclosed is an English translation of the enclosed Office Action, and respective English abstracts of the enclosed Japanese patent documents.

Also enclosed is a copy of U.S. Patent No. 6,096,838, which corresponds to the enclosed Japanese patent documents (No. 10-316747A and No. 10-76102A).

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted less than three months after the filing date of the above-identified application. Clearly, requirements of 37 CFR 1.97(b) are satisfied.

With respect to the enclosed documents which are not in English, requirements of 37 CFR 1.98(a)(3) are satisfied by the English translation of the enclosed Office Action, the Search and Examination Report, the respective English abstracts of the enclosed Japanese patent documents, and U.S. Patent No. 6,096,838.

In view of all of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that all applicable requirements of 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98 have been satisfied, in connection with all documents on the enclosed List. Accordingly, consideration of the listed documents, upon examination of the above-identified application, is respectfully requested.

To the extent necessary, Applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the

filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to the Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Case No. 500.38891VV2) and please credit any excess fees to such Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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